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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1794

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 1794 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 21-28 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21-28)

7 Sec. 21-28. Special education teachers; ~~categorical~~  
8 certification.

9 (a) In order to create a special education workforce with  
10 the broad-based knowledge necessary to educate students with a  
11 variety of disabilities, the State Board of Education and State  
12 Teacher Certification Board shall certify a special education  
13 teacher under one of the following:

14 (1) Learning behavior specialist I.

15 (2) Learning behavior specialist II.

16 (3) Teacher of students who are blind or visually

1       impaired.

2           (4) Teacher of students who are deaf or hard of  
3       hearing.

4           (5) Speech-language pathologist.

5           (6) Early childhood special education teacher.

6       (b) The State Board of Education is authorized to provide  
7       for the assignment of individuals to special education  
8       positions by short-term, emergency certification. Short-term,  
9       emergency certification shall not be renewed.

10       (c) The State Board of Education is authorized to use  
11       peremptory rulemaking, in accordance with Section 5-50 of the  
12       Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, to place into the  
13       Illinois Administrative Code the certification policies and  
14       standards related to special education, as authorized under  
15       this Section, that the State Board has been required to  
16       implement pursuant to federal court orders dated February 27,  
17       2001, August 15, 2001, and September 11, 2002 in the matter of  
18       Corey H., et al. v. Board of Education of the City of Chicago,  
19       et al. The State Teacher Certification Board shall  
20       categorically certify a special education teacher in one or  
21       more of the following specialized categories of disability if  
22       the special education teacher applies and qualifies for such  
23       certification:

24           ~~(1) Serious emotional disturbance.~~

25           ~~(2) Learning disabilities.~~

26           ~~(3) Autism.~~

1           ~~(4) Mental retardation.~~

2           ~~(5) Orthopedic (physical) impairment.~~

3           ~~(6) Traumatic brain injury.~~

4           ~~(7) Other health impairment.~~

5           (Source: P.A. 92-709, eff. 7-19-02.)

6           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
7           becoming law.".